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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES

REF: STATE 97854

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTEL INSTRUCTIONS I MADE ORAL DEMARCHE TO MFA SECRETARY GENERAL MATTI TUOVINEN ON QUESTION OF RESETTLEMENT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES.

2. DRAWING ON PARAS 1-4 AND 6 OF REFTEL I EMPHASIZED HUMANITARIAN ASPECTS OF OUR REQUEST. I ALSO NOTED THAT FINLAND HAD IN OTHER CASES ACCEPTED LIMITED NUMBERS OF REFUGEES, SUCH AS THE ABOUT 150 REFUGEES FROM CHILE. I FURTHER EMPHASIZED THAT IN ADDITION TO THE HUMANITARIAN ASPECTS, FINNISH PARTICIPATION IN THIS EFFORT WOULD BE IN KEEPING WITH FINLAND'S POSITION AS A PEACEFUL NEUTRAL.

3. TUOVINEN SAID THAT REQUEST WAS OF SUCH A NATURE

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THAT HE COULD NOT MAKE DECISION HIMSELF. HE SAID THAT

HE WOULD BRING MATTER TO ATTENTION OF THE GOVERNMENT. TUOVINEN ASKED WHETHER THE NUMBER OF 100 PER COUNTRY WAS CONSIDERED BY US TO BE AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM. I TOLD HIM THAT IT WAS SUGGESTIVE RATHER THAN DEFINITIVE, AND THAT USG WAS HOPEFUL THAT MANY COUNTRIES WOULD BE ABLE TO ACCEPT MANY MORE THAN 100 REFUGEES, BUT ALSO REALIZED THAT THERE COULD BE NO REQUIRED MINIMUM APPLICABLE TO ALL COUNTRIES. TUOVINEN ALSO ASKED WHETHER USG WAS MAKING THIS REQUEST OF OTHER COUNTRIES. I ANSWERED HIM IN THE AFFIRMATIVE, SAYING THAT WE WERE MAKING THIS HUMANITARIAN PLEA TO EVERY POSSIBLE COUNTRY.

4. COMMENT: WE WILL AWAIT WORD FROM GOF ON THIS MATTER, BUT DO NOT WISH TO HOLD OUT ANY GREAT HOPE THAT FINNS WILL FIND IT POLITICALLY FEASIBLE TO ACCEPT MORE THAN PERHAPS A TOKEN FEW REFUGEES FROM SOUTH VIET NAM. AUSTAD

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